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SUBJ: FONMIN'S PRESS STATEMENT ON HONDURAS-EL SALVADOR RELATIONS

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1. SENSATIONALIST EL CRONISTA IN ITS SEPTEMBER 11 EDITION PRINTED THE FOLLOWING FRONT PAGE HEADLINE: "EL SALVADOR'S ARMAMENT RACE SHOULD ALERT HONDURAS". A FOLLOWING STORY QUOTES FONMIN GALVEZ AS SAYING, "EL SALVADOR, AS A SOVEREIGN STATE, HAS THE RIGHT TO ACQUIRE THE ARMAMENT IT WANTS; HOWEVER, THE CONTINUAL BUYING OF OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE ARMS IN THE LAST FEW YEARS CANNOT HELP BUT CONCERN NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES AND ESPECIALLY SHOULD ALERT HONDURANS". THE STORY GOES ON THE STATE THAT THE CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES ARE CONCERNED ABOUT RECENT SALVADORAN ARMS PURCHASES BECAUSE WARPLANES AND CANNON ARE NOT NEEDED FOR INTERNAL SECURITY.

2. FONMIN GALVEZ IS ALSO QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THERE HAVE BEEN NO MEETINGS WITH THE SALVADORANS SINCE LAST MAY. HE REPORTEDLY SAID, "THE CHIEFS OF STATE HAVE MET  
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BUT THOSE MEETINGS HAVE ONLY SERVED TO RETERATE THE

OBJECTIVES OF BOTH COUNTRIES TO ACHIEVE A PROMPT SOLUTION  
OF THE DISPUTE".  
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